

Treasury Department,

Bureau of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.,

March 8, 1899.

William E. Curtis, Esq.,

Post Building,

City.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 7th instant, you are respectfully informed that medals of gold and silver are struck by the Mint at Philadelphia for private parties upon their furnishing the dies. The material and labor being supplied by the Mint, and a charge made for the same equal to the cost thereof.

The law prohibits the preparation of private dies by the Mint.

Respectfully yours,

W. H. D. Butler
Acting Director of the Mint.

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